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TAGS: EAGR, OCON, BE

SUBJECT: EC COUNCIL ( AGMINS) MEETING

REF: BRUSSELS 3441

1. IN GENERAL DISCUSSION OF US- EC AGRICULTURAL TRADE PROBLEMS WITH AGATTACHE, CHEF DE CABINET JAAK DE BRUYCKER EXPRESSED HIS CONCERN OVER RECENT DEVELOPMENTS AND PESSIMISM THAT EITHER SIDE WILL BE READY FOR MEANINGFUL NEGOTIATIONS THIS YEAR.

2. DE BRUYCKER SAID THAT THE TONE OF DISCUSSIONS AT THE AGMIN COUNCIL MEETING LAST WEEK WAS ANYTHING BUT ENCOURAGING. THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FRENCH SEEM TO BE TAKING AN EVEN HARDER LINE THAN USUAL AND ARE USING CURRENT HIGH PRICES AND THE THREAT OF U. S. EXPORT CONTROLS AS EFFECTIVE ARGUMENTS AGAINST A FLEXIBLE NEGOTIATING MANDATE AND AGAINST ANY CONCESSIONS TO U. S. ON OTHER CURRENT MATTERS AT ISSUE. HE WENT ON TO SAY THAT HE POINTED OUT THAT FREQUENTLY REITERATED U. S. REPRESENTATIONS TO EFFECT THAT CONCESSIONS ON ART. XXIV:6 ARE ESSENTIAL FOR OBTAINING VIABLE CONGRESSIONAL MANDATE FOR MTN MAY NOT TROUBLE FRENCH, WHO WOULD NOT BE AT ALL UNHAPPY TO SEE MTN POSTPONED.

3. DE BRUYCKER SAID THAT BELGIUM WAS NOT VERY HAPPY WITH THE RESULTS OF LAST WEEK' S AGRICULTURAL COUNCIL MEETING, BUT THAT THE ECONOMIC EFFECTS OF THE ACTIONS WOULD BE MINIMAL, NOT VERY HELPFUL FOR THE MEDITERRANEAN COUNTRIES NOR VERY HARMFUL TO THE U. S. BELGIUM PARTICULARLY DISLIKED THE INCREASED SUBSIDY FOR ITALIAN CITRUS BUT HE DOUBTED IT WOULD SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASE EXPORTS, GIVEN THE ITALIAN RECORD FOR TAKING EFFECTIVE ADVANTAGE OF ANY TYPE OF ASSISTANCE.

4. DE BRUYCKER CAME BACK AGAIN TO THE PROSPECTS FOR U. S. EXPORT CONTROLS, EMPHASIZING THE ADVERSE EFFECTS THIS COULD HAVE ON THE MTN. STRAUSS- HUPE

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